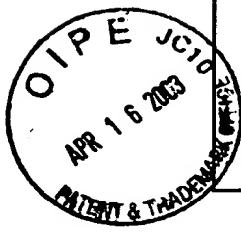


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AMENDMENT

In response to the Official Action dated February 5, 2003, please amend the above-entitled application as follows: